

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method of generating employment market statistics from a network, comprising the steps of:

- (a) accessing an employment resource via the network, the employment resource comprising data;
- (b) matching the data to one of a plurality of employment market categories; and
- (c) updating at least one statistical indicator associated with the matched employment market category.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein step (c) comprises the step of incrementing a counter associated with the matched employment market category.

3. The method of claim 1, wherein step (c) comprises the step of calculating a ratio of resumes associated with the matched employment market category to job listings associated with the matched employment market category.

4. The method of claim 1, wherein step (c) comprises the steps of:  
incrementing a first counter associated with the matched employment market category when the employment resource is a resume; and  
incrementing a second counter associated with the matched employment market category when the employment resource is a job listing.

5. The method of claim 1, wherein each of the plurality of market categories corresponds to a particular labor type and region.

6. The method of claim 1, wherein step (b) comprises the steps of:  
matching the employment resource to a raw category;

matching the employment resource to an interim category; and  
matching the employment resource to an employment market category.

7. The method of claim 1, wherein the employment resource is a resume.
8. The method of claim 1, wherein the employment resource is a job listing.
9. The method of claim 1, wherein step (a) comprises the steps of:  
sending a client request across the network to a server; and  
receiving the employment resource via the network.
10. The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:  
repeating steps (a) through (c) for each of a plurality of employment  
resources; and  
for each of the plurality of market categories, plotting the associated  
statistical indicator.
11. The method of claim 1, wherein step (c) comprises the steps of:  
marking the updated statistical indicator with a time stamp that indicates  
a current time interval;  
and storing the marked statistical indicator.
12. A method of generating market statistics from a network, comprising the  
steps of:  
(a) accessing a resource via the network, the resource comprising data;  
(b) matching the data to one of a plurality of market categories; and  
(c) updating at least one statistical indicator associated with the matched  
market category.

13. A system for generating employment market statistics from a network, comprising:

means for accessing an employment resource via the network, the employment resource comprising data;

means for matching the data to one of a plurality of employment market categories; and

means for updating at least one statistical indicator associated with the matched employment market category.

14. The system of claim 13, wherein said means for updating at least one statistical indicator comprises means for incrementing a counter associated with the matched employment market category.

15. The system of claim 13, wherein said means for updating at least one statistical indicator comprises means for calculating a ratio of resumes associated with the matched employment market category to job listings associated with the matched employment market category.

16. The system of claim 13, wherein said means for updating at least one statistical indicator comprises:

means for incrementing a first counter associated with the matched employment market category when the employment resource is a resume; and

means for incrementing a second counter associated with the matched employment market category when the employment resource is a job listing.

17. The system of claim 13, wherein each of the plurality of market categories corresponds to a particular labor type and region.

18. The system of claim 13, wherein said means for matching the data to one of a plurality of employment market categories comprises:

means for matching the employment resource to a raw category;

means for matching the employment resource to an interim category; and

means for matching the employment resource to an employment market category.

19. The system of claim 13, wherein the employment resource is a resume.

20. The system of claim 13, wherein the employment resource is a job listing.

21. The system of claim 13, wherein said means for accessing an employment resource comprises:

means for sending a client request across the network to a server; and

means for receiving the employment resource via the network.

22. The system of claim 13, further comprising means for plotting the associated statistical indicator for each of the plurality of market categories.

23. A system for generating employment market statistics from a network, comprising:

a spider engine that accesses an employment resource via the network, the employment resource comprising data; and

a statistical analysis engine that matches the data to one of a plurality of employment market categories, and updates at least one statistical indicator associated with the matched employment market category.

24. A computer program product comprising a computer useable medium having computer program logic stored therein, said computer program logic for

generating employment market statistics from a network, wherein said computer program logic comprises:

- means for enabling the computer to access an employment resource via the network, the employment resource comprising data;

- means for enabling the computer to match the data to one of a plurality of employment market categories; and

- means for enabling the computer to update at least one statistical indicator associated with the matched employment market category.

25. The computer program product of claim 24, wherein said means for enabling the computer to update at least one statistical indicator comprises means for incrementing a counter associated with the matched employment market category.

26. The computer program product of claim 24, wherein said means for enabling the computer to update at least one statistical indicator comprises means for enabling the computer to calculate a ratio of resumes associated with the matched employment market category to job listings associated with the matched employment market category.

27. The computer program product of claim 24, wherein said means for enabling the computer to update at least one statistical indicator comprises:

- means for enabling the computer to increment a first counter associated with the matched employment market category when the employment resource is a resume; and

- means for enabling the computer to increment a second counter associated with the matched employment market category when the employment resource is a job listing.

28. The computer program product of claim 24, wherein each of the plurality of market categories corresponds to a particular labor type and region.

29. The computer program product of claim 24, wherein said means for enabling the computer to match the data to one of a plurality of employment market categories comprises:

means for enabling the computer to match the employment resource to a raw category;

means for enabling the computer to match the employment resource to an interim category; and

means for enabling the computer to match the employment resource to an employment market category.

30. The computer program product of claim 24, wherein the employment resource is a resume.

31. The computer program product of claim 24, wherein the employment resource is a job listing.

32. The computer program product of claim 24, wherein said means for enabling the computer to access an employment resource comprises:

means for enabling the computer to send a client request across the network to a server; and

means for enabling the computer to receive the employment resource via the network.

33. The computer program product of claim 24, further comprising means for enabling the computer to plot the associated statistical indicator for each of the plurality of market categories.